

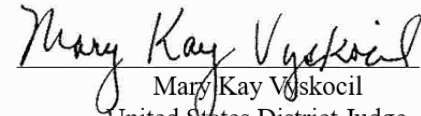
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GRANTED. The Court accepts Defendant Surick's waiver of appearance and grants counsel's request to appear telephonically. Counsel is directed to call 888-278-0296 and enter access code 5195844 to join the conference. Counsel for Mr. Surick should be prepared to agree to a schedule for the remainder of the case and to address any issues or questions that arise.

Date: 3/19/2020  
New York, New York

  
Mary Kay Vyskocil  
United States District Judge

March 19, 2020

**Via ECF**

Honorable Mary Kay Vyskocil  
United States District Courthouse  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007-1312

**Re: United States v. Navarro, et al.**  
**Docket No.: 20-CR-00160**

Dear Judge Vyskocil:

I am local counsel to Nicholas Surick, (sponsor of his pro-hac application) in the above referenced Indictment and write on his behalf to respectfully request, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 10(b), that the Court allow Mr. Surick to waive his personal appearance at his March 23, 2020 arraignment and initial conference. Attached as Exhibit A is a written waiver of appearance executed by Mr. Surick. The government has no objection to this request.

In addition, I respectfully request permission for Timothy Donohue and I to attend the conference via telephone in lieu of a personal appearance. As reflected in the written waiver of appearance, attached as Exhibit A, Mr. Surick has received a copy of the above referenced Indictment and I have reviewed it with him. Mr. Surick enters a plea of "not guilty" to Counts One, Four, Five and Six.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Andrew Mollica

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cc: AUSA Andrew Adams